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In response to the office action mailed October 29, 2002, applicant submits the following amendments and comments for consideration and entry into the file of the above-referenced application.

AMENDMENTS

Kindly amend claims 1, 5, 6, and 10 to read as follow:

1. (Amended) A device to secure medical tubing to a body comprising a one-piece fabric band having at least a first closed loop and a second closed loop, wherein the first closed loop fits elastically around a portion of the body and the second closed loop is capable of receiving and holding medical tubing close to the body.

5. (Amended) A device according to claim 1 wherein the closed loops are formed by stitching.